

Law Enforcement Suicide: Tactics for Prevention and Intervention

TRAIN THE TRAINER

Presented by: Center for Public Safety Innovation,
at
St. Petersburg College (FL)

Hosted by: Watertown (SD) Police Department

FREE TRAINING

Date: April 25, 2014
8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Location: Watertown Police Department
128 N Maple St
Watertown, SD 57201

Course Overview

This tuition-free 8-hour Law Enforcement Suicide Prevention TOT training will heighten awareness, help you understand the indicators, the issues involved, potential solutions, and important protocols to consider. It will also provide materials for on-going in-service and roll-call training within your agency.

This training is designed for the law enforcement trainers who wish to teach a block of instruction on suicide prevention and intervention techniques within a law enforcement setting.

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this course, the student will be able to:

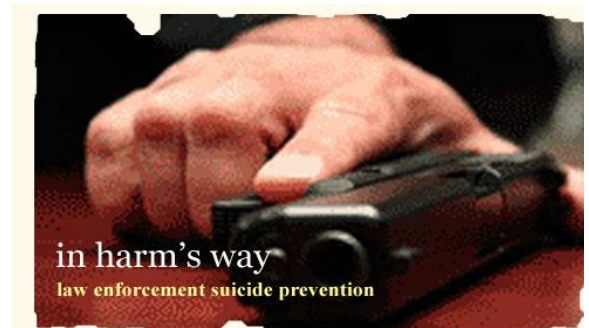
- Understand the stress, pressures, and culture in law enforcement that can lead to suicidal ideation.
- Identify behaviors and communication that should not be ignored.
- Recognize how to train law enforcement in suicide prevention.
- Stress the importance of establishing department policy, protocol, and procedures.

Course Structure

This course consists of the Instructor Guide, PowerPoint presentation, Law Enforcement Suicide Prevention Toolkit, and CD ROMs.

Topics covered in the training include:

Facts, Statistics, Truths and Myths
Organizational Leadership
Signs and Signals
Intervention Strategies
Dealing with the Aftermath of Suicide
Resources – RCPI LE Suicide Prevention Website



Vetting Process

Because this is an important project, there will be a vetting process for those interested in attending. It is important that the appropriate people attend this training as they will be asked to provide this training to staff at their agencies.

Criteria for those attending are:

1. Preferably already a trainer.
2. Involved in a peer support program (not necessary, but definitely a plus).
3. Understands the importance of awareness, education and prevention of LE suicide.

Requirements on the part of the agency:

1. Letter of recommendation from Chief/Sheriff (this can be as simple as a few lines stating the agency's support of this project and their willingness to allow the attendees to educate other employees).
2. Assurance that the trainer will provide the Florida Regional Community Policing Institute information on these in-house trainings, ie. date and how many staff attended training so that the FL RCPI can report back to the funder.

To Register

Please send name, agency, phone number, email address, and letter of recommendation of those wanting to attend to:

Ryan Remmers

Captain

Watertown Police Department

128 N Maple St Watertown, SD 57201

(605)882-5621 - Office

(605)882-6210 - Dispatch

(605)881-7303 - Cell

rremmers@watertownpd.com – Preferred method

Lodging Information

Three local hotels have agreed to honor the rates below for 2013. Agreements for 2014 have yet been reached, however they are expected to be the same (or similar). Attendees are also welcome to seek other hotel options.

Best Western Ramkota Hotel

1901 9th Ave SW

Watertown, SD 57201

www.watertown.ramkota.com

State Rate - \$50.00 per night (single occupancy)

State Rate - \$89.99 per night (double occupancy)

To get the state rate, (605)886-8011 reference “WPD Class”

Country Inn and Suites

3400 8th Ave SE

Watertown, SD 57201

<http://www.countryinns.com/watertown-hotel-sd-57201/sdwater>

State Rate - \$50.00 per night (double or single occupancy)

To get the state rate, call (605)886-8900 reference “WPD Class”

Holiday Inn Express and Suites

3900 9th Ave SE

Watertown, SD 57201

<http://www.hiexpress.com/hotels/us/en/reservation>

Government Rate \$77.00 (single or double occupancy with two queen beds)

To get government rate, either call (605)882-3636 or book online and specify government rate